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8th grade class makes St. Vincent de Paul Feast Day donations to Interchurch

Feature Story

Matilda Jr.

 **Lark Wright**
5th Grade Student Writer



Picture submitted by Mrs. Lina McQuigg // From left to right: Kiersten C., Gabby F., Ellie S., Kate M., Amari M & Lark W.

Interviews from the cast:

Amari: Matilda is about a little girl that reads. Both her parents are not really readers but she does it anyway so when she gets to school and she finds all the evil doings the principal is doing, she decides to be the revolution and put an end to it. I really like the choreography. It's fun to dance to. The hardest part is tech week. My favorite dance is the school song. I think to sing the song "Bruce." Miss Honey is my favorite character. My favorite line is "Sing Jenny!"

Kate: Matilda is about a girl who is a genius and she reads a lot of books when she's only five. Her parents don't like books. She goes to school and has this really mean Headmistress who likes to bully all the kids and then her teacher loves her and tries to help her out. Then eventually in the end it's happily ever after she ends up living with other teacher. My favorite part about Matilda is getting to work with all the people! They're all so nice and fun. I made so many friends doing it. I would say the hardest part is probably tech week. It takes a long time to get through, but at the same time it's so much fun because


you get to see all of the costumes come together. My favorite song to dance to would be the "School song" because of all the fun choreography in it. My favorite song to sing is "When I Grow Up." My favorite character is Miss Trunchbull because the guy who plays her is really good at what he does.

Kiersten: I think Matilda's about a smart little girl who doesn't know her worth and she is bullied by many people in her life until she meets friends and a lovely woman named Miss Honey. My favorite part of these shows is that it's like a big family and everybody completes each other. The hardest part is pushing your mind and body to the limits. My favorite song for singing is definitely "Quiet" which is sung by Minnesota and my favorite dancing song is the Hilton children because it's so funny! My favorite line in the play is "Leave him alone you big fat bully!" because it's so fun to say and it just makes me get excited. I feel like it releases so much energy!

Alumni and current students were apart of this production back in September.

Feature Story

Mrs. Hall's New Role

 **Amari McQuigg**
7th Grade Student Writer



From left to right: JoAnn, Annabell, Abigail, Mrs. Hall, Mikaela, Amelia & Amelia at the 2023 Camp Ohio Fall PE Field Trip.

If you go to school at STV, chances are you've met Mrs. Hall. Mrs. Hall first became involved with STV when her husband recommended sending their children here for school. Both his mom and himself went to school here. She started helping with Extended Care. This turned into also being an aid for some classes and then becoming the director of extended care. Now, Mrs. Hall is teaching middle school health, second and sixth grade religion, and Kindergarten through eighth grade gym. Mrs. Hall says she

felt the calling to teach after she was given an opportunity to teach here and finished her degree in teaching. This year Mrs. Hall says she's most excited about growing in faith and experiencing and learning faith through the classes she teaches. She also says she's hoping to incorporate God and Jesus being present into the school year. Mrs. Hall says her favorite part of being at STV is the family atmosphere and being able to teach and talk about God.

Feature Story

Meet Seminarian Whalen

 **Avery Whalen**
7th Grade Student Contributor

We have a new Seminarian! Anthony Whalen was born and raised Catholic in Columbus. He and his family moved from the area when he was in his early teens. He left the Church during that time and eventually became a priest in another denomination. After some time he found his way back to the Catholic Church while he was living and working in Maryland. After discernment he entered the seminary for Baltimore last fall. After a good year of seminary formation he asked to return to Columbus where he still has family and to continue his studies and formation for the diocese of Columbus. He is currently then in a period of formation and probation for our


diocese. Bishop Fernandes has assigned him to St. Vincent de Paul and St. Luke's in order to reacclimate him with the diocese and parochial life in the Diocese of Columbus. Eventually the hope is that he will be able to function as an active priest in our diocese. However, during this time of probation and formation he will be functioning in the parish like our other seminarians have (visiting the school, parishioners, homebound, hospitals, etc., giving talks on occasion, doing many things but not yet able to celebrate the sacraments). We look forward to his time with us.



Source: www.saintvdpschool.org/post/welcome-our-new-seminarian-anthony-whalen

Feature Story

New Student Spotlight

 **Lily Adams**
7th Grade Student Writer



LICIA
5TH GRADE



CHRISTOPHER
3RD GRADE



ADDY
7TH GRADE

Licia has joined the 5th grade class and enjoys that everyone treats her like she has been their friend for years. Her favorite school lunch is chef salad, and her favorite subject is religion.

Christopher is a new student in 3rd grade and he enjoys having new friends. His favorite school lunch is pizza, and his favorite subject is stem.

Addy is a new student in 7th grade. Ever since Addy joined STV she has enjoyed going to Mass on Wednesday the most. Her favorite school lunch so far is pizza, and her favorite subject is ELA.

Seasonal Story

History of Halloween

 **5th Grade Student Writer**
Nora Ellinger


Halloween is coming up and I know its a very exciting holladay. When people think of Halloween they think of trick or treating, Candy, and so on. There is a lot more to Halloween than just that. Fun fact, years ago people dressed up as just angels, yes nothing else just angels. People back then thought of it as the devil's holiday. An-

other thing no one really thinks about is when halloween started. Some people think it was just there forever but that's not the case. Halloween was introduced around 2,00 years ago when Celtic people in Europe celebrated the end of a arvest and the start of a new year in a festival called Samhain.



Take it to the STV Hallways

What is your favorite part of Halloween?

 **5th Grade Student Writer**
Nora Ellinger



"Dressing up in a costume on Halloween is my favorite!"

Braxton, 4th Grade



"Getting candy!"

Gio, 3rd Grade



"Seeing all of the scary decorations!"

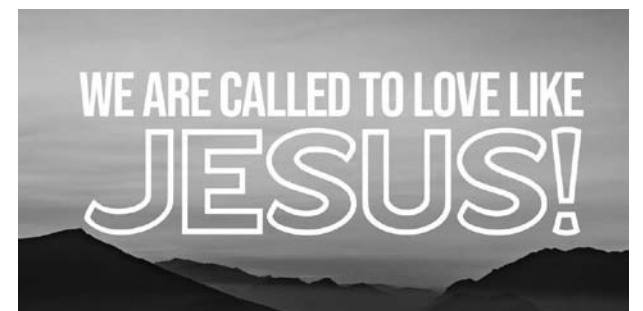
Hayden, 2nd Grade

New Friends Month


 **Samantha Whiting**
5th Grade Student Writer

New Friends Month is on October 19th. Its a holiday where we celebrate making new friends.You can celebrate the day by getting to know someone better weather it's making someone you've already met but just haven't talked to for a while, a friend.This month was believed to be created around the 1730s in England.New friends month was created to bring people together and help people feel more confident when making new friends.Here's what some people said about making new friends.Licia in 5th grade

said" When making a new friend i look for someone who is kind and wont make fun of me,when i make a new friend i feel proud of myself because i've never met the person before and now i'm friends with them."Here's what Cristother in 3rd grade said" When i want to become friends with someone I would say "hi" and introduce myself to them,I feel happy when i make new friends and excited because i can hang out with them." Always try to be a good friend and happy new friends day.



Fun Section

 **Philomena Odonkor & Lucy Adams**
5th Grade Student Contributors

Fall is Fun Word Search

C N E S M B F N B F	acorn
C N I I Y A U R R F	corn
Z I Z K L R M O O K	pumpkin
C F D L P W M C W Y	yellow
Z J K E I M N A N D	brown
N I N T R O U R D B	fall
S E V A E L O P H U	red
J M B W Y C V K S R	
H J X S W E A T E R	
W O L L E Y Q D G F	

Costume Ideas

- 1) Mario & Luigi
- 2) Wednesday or Enid from Wednesday Adams
- 3) Pirate or Vampire
- 4) Police Officer or Swat
- 5) Little Mermaid
- 6) Alice & Wonderland
- 7) Dinosaur
- 8) Toy Story Characters
- 9) Hogwarts Harry Potter
- 10) Descendants

Fall Feature

Apples 7th Grade Student Writer | Evie Wright


People like different apples for different things! My best apple for eating is Honeycrisp, but my best apple for cooking is McIntosh or Jonathan. What type of apple would you say kids like to

eat the most? Red Delicious. What are your apples used for besides eating? Cooking, cider making, and all kinds of apple recipes. I took a survey on the favorite apple of the

majority of our school. The winner was Honeycrisp! A close second was Fuji, and last but not least came Gala. Apparently our school loves Honeycrisp!

Sports Feature

Volleyball at STV

 6th Grade Student Writer
Evan Bailey

We interviewed one of the coaches from the boys varsity team, Mrs. Katie Keucher.

How do you think your team is going to do this year?

The boys are growing their skills and becoming more aggressive players. They are playing well and have the opportunity to come back next year in the same league.

What are some highlights of your games so far?

We played St James very well and took St Matthew to three games.

What are some interesting things about your players?

They are motivated by gatorade and love to play a game called "Dead Fish" where you position your serve to hit the other players.

Did you play volleyball?

If so why did you start? I played through high school.

I enjoyed playing with my friends.

Why did you decide to coach volleyball?

It is a lot of fun!



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